

AESD EXECUTIVE BOARD MINUTES

June 30, 2020 | 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Zoom

Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome/Introduction

Meeting opened by President Johnson, led the pledge of allegiance, established a quorum and welcomed everyone.

II. Consent Agenda

Action: Board meeting minutes from last meeting approved

Motion by James Sebree, second by Merle Kirkley to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

III. 2020 AESD President's Award Presentation

Traditionally the AESD President's Award is presented at the AESD Annual Conference. Despite cancellation of this year's conference, President Johnson proceeded with working with the Board to nominate and select an awardee for 2020. This year's AESD President Award recipient is Representative Laurie Dolan.

Clear Risk Solutions is one of our conference sponsors and they supported this award. While they couldn't be with us, Clear Risk CEO, Eric Homer wanted to extend his regrets that he couldn't attend the meeting, and expressed his appreciation for our partnership.

The President's award is annually presented to an individual who has met at least three criteria. One of them is a demonstrated leadership of education. Secondly, has shown a deep commitment through their service or contributions to our AESD Network. Thirdly, consistently and effectively engaged with ESDs across the state. President Johnson noted that Representative Dolan has done all of these things, with great distinction.

AESD Superintendents shared a few thoughts and memories of their partnership and work with Rep. Dolan.

Representative Laurie Dolan expressed her gratitude on being selected as the recipient of this award.

Information Items

IV. AESD Initiative Updates

Jessica and others will share updates on AESD distance learning supports, reopening schools supports & coordination, and the AESD's statewide PPE bid process.

- Launched shifting schools - reopening series, with Jeff Utecht. There were about 4,500 educators across the state who attended.
- The Network has put together a proposal to provide ongoing professional development for distance learning supports. Superintendent Reykdal is also interested in engaging the network to assist with coherent, consistent, and widely available content that can be shared across the state.

- Responding to the needs of our districts, ESD 112 has a purchasing cooperative to order PPE for all school districts in the state.

V. Legislative Updates

- There has been a downturn in the economic forecast due to COVID-19. Some looming questions are: Will the legislature spend down the rainy day fund? Will there be budget cuts? Will they be able to raise a tax increase or create new revenue?
- Governor Inslee vetoed any new program spending at the end of the 2020 legislative session.
- Looking to the Federal Government for recovery funds.
- OFM is requiring all agencies to submit budget reduction plan of 15%.
- AESD responded to this economic downturn by assisting teachers with distance learning platforms, PPE purchasing, statewide communication with OSPI, and supporting districts with reopening plans.

VI. AESD General Membership Actions for 2020-21

Dana reported on the results of the spring 2020 survey of AESD general membership regarding the AESD budget and slate of officers.

- Budget 2020-21 approved. (40-Yes, 5-No)
- Approval of slate of officers. John Zurfluh (PSESD) – President and Marcia Henkle (NCESD) – Vice President. (45-Yes).

Action Items

VII. AESD Annual Conference Planning

Dana provided a refresher on past discussions with the Board regarding establishment of an annual conference planning subcommittee to partner with the host region ESD’s planning team.

Actions: The Board was asked to approve the creation of the subcommittee and to identify representatives to serve on as the subcommittee for the 2021 conference.

Motion by Dale McDaniel to approve creation of the AESD Annual conference subcommittee and appoint Marcia Henkle, John Zurfluh, Terry Brandon and June Sine to serve on the subcommittee for the 2021 conference. Seconded by James Sebree, Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. 2020-21 Meeting Schedule

Dana shared the AESD executive board meeting schedule for the 2020-21 year.

Actions: The Board was asked to adopt the schedule.

Motion by Terry Brandon to adopt the 2020-21 AESD executive board meeting schedule. Seconded by Marcia Henkle, Motion passed unanimously.

IX. Good of the Order

- Carl led the group with a quick round robin for “good of the order” sharing.
- Board members and Superintendents expressed gratitude and appreciation for Carl’s leadership over the past year.
- Larry gave an update on the AESD school accreditation process. He thanked those who participated on the panels.

Meeting adjourned at 1:16pm.